

## STATE OF NEVADA OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR EXECUTIVE ORDER

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DEAN HELLER SECRETARY OF STATE

Whereas, the State of Nevada is committed to ensuring the availability and accessibility of a continuum of services that appropriately meet the needs of Nevada's senior citizens and supports their ability to lead independent and active lives; and

Whereas, this state has adopted a comprehensive, long- term Strategic Plan for Senior Services, which was developed with statewide input from older persons, their families, advocates, and service providers;

Whereas, the Strategic Plan will ensure that the state complies with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), including the proscription of discrimination by segregation set forth by the United States Supreme Court in *Olmstead v. L. C. ex rel. Zimring*; and

Whereas, the Strategic Plan identified goals and outlined strategies to carry out the goals and recommendations over the next decade; and

Whereas, the state recognizes that the implementation of the Strategic Plan needs to be monitored and may need to be reviewed and revised as necessary to ensure that services are truly available to older people.

Therefore, I, Kenny C. Guinn, by virtue of the power and authority vested in me by the Constitution and the laws of the State of Nevada, do hereby issue this Order.

- 1. The Director of the Department of Human Resources shall establish the Strategic Plan for Senior Services accountability committee. The Committee will oversee the implementation of the Plan and will review and revise, as necessary, the Plan.
- 2. Committee members will be senior citizens or be knowledgeable of services for senior citizens.
- 3. The committee will collaborate with the accountability committees for rural health and services for persons with disabilities.
- 4. The committee will submit an annual report on progress made toward implementing the Plan and recommend changes to the plan by July 1st of each year to the Director of the Department of Human Resources.
- 5. All state agencies will be guided by the principles and core values established in the Strategic Plan for Senior Services for service delivery and policy development.

6. All state programs, boards, commissions and decision making bodies whose actions substantially impact the lives of older persons will include the participation of informed older persons and their families in the decision making process.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Nevada to be affixed at the State Capitol in Carson City this Aday of November, in the year two thousand three.

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DEPUTY SECRETARY OF STATE

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